(*a*) whether they have information as to whether any portion of the paddy produced in this country is lying unsold at present (27-11-1106) ; and

(*b*) if so, the quantity thus left unsold ?

MR. C . O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The Government have no information.

(*b*) The question does not arise, in view of the answer to part (*a*) above.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : The Government say that the information is not available. I desire to know whether they propose to collect that information ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : That will be a very difficult operation.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Does the member mean that it is impossible to get that information ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : It is not worth the trouble, that is what I mean.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Is the member aware that there is a demand from different sources that restriction must be put on the import of rice in this country ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : May be.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : There is a demand from different sources that some restriction should be placed on the import of rice.

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : That is noted.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Does the member think there is no likelihood of that information being collected ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag.Secretary to Government*) : If the member is very particular to know the quantity of paddy imported, that matter will be considered. But the Land Revenue Commissioner thinks that it is not worth the trouble.

Cost of sheds put up in the premises of the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall for Council and Assembly meetings in 1105.

32. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state the cost on account of the construction of temporary sheds in the premises of the Victoria Jubilee Town Hall in connection with the meetings of the Legislative Council and the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly in the year 1105 ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : Rs. 1,612 Chs. 5 and cash 9.

Applications for the posts of Honorary Physicians and Surgeons during 1103-1105.

33. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

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(*a*) how many applications were received from qualified medical men for the posts of honorary physicians and surgeons during the last three years (1103-1105) ; and

(*b*) how they were disposed of ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) One.

(*b*) The application was not considered as at present there is no arrangement for appointing honorary physicians and surgeons in the Medical Department.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Have the Government considered the desirability of appointing honorary physicians and surgeons at least hereafter ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : There is no such proposal under the consideration of Government at present.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Do they consider it advisable to do so ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : When occasion arises, Government will consider that question.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : That means, that the question has not come before the Government at all. Is that so?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Now the information is brought to the notice of Government. Do they think it advisable to appoint honorary physicians and surgeons ?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : That will be considered.

Completion of the Peyad-Vellanad road.

34. **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara*) : With reference to the road from Peyad to Vellanad in the Neyyattinkara taluk, will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the same has been completed, and, if not, why not ;

(*b*) whether there was sanction for any acquisition of land in connection with the same; and

(*c*) whether any land was acquired, and, if so, the extent of the land so acquired and the compensation paid for the same ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The road has been mostly completed except the formation of the embankment which is now in progress.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Land to the extent of 45¾ cents was acquired and a sum of Rs. 842-4 chs. was paid as compensation.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI ((*Neyyattinkara*) : May I know from the member when the work was actually started?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Ag. Secretary to Government*) : The total length of the road concerned is five miles. Except the southern 2½ miles, the road is in a condition fit for traffic. So in the year

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